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701—103.9(423A) Information confidential. When requested to do so by any person having a legitimate interest in such information, the department shall, after being presented with sufficient proof of the entire situation, disclose to such person the amount of unpaid taxes due by a taxpayer. Such person shall provide the department with sufficient proof consisting of all relevant facts and the reason or reasons for seeking information as to the amount of unpaid taxes due by the taxpayer. The information sought shall not be disclosed if the department determines that the person requesting information does not have a legitimate interest. The director may also authorize the examination of returns filed by a retailer by (1) other officers of the state of Iowa, (2) tax officers of another state if a reciprocal arrangement exists, or (3) tax officers of the federal government if a reciprocal arrangement exists. The director is also empowered to publish annual statistical reports relating to the operation of the tax. See rule 701—6.3(17A).

All other information obtained by employees of the department in the performance of their official duties is confidential as provided by law and cannot be disclosed.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.72 and 2005 Iowa Code Supplement sections 423A.3 and 423A.4.